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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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GAIL FARBER, Director

March 06, 2012

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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REJECT BIDS EATON WASH – CHANNEL IMPROVEMENTS AND EATON WASH DAM AND RESERVOIR - HEADWORKS REHABILITATION IN THE CITY OF PASADENA (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

This action is to reject all bids for Eaton Wash – Channel Improvements and Eaton Wash Dam and Reservoir – Headworks Rehabilitation, in the City of Pasadena.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT:

Reject all bids received on May 17, 2011, for Project ID No. FCC0001106 – Eaton Wash – Channel Improvements and Eaton Wash Dam and Reservoir – Headworks Rehabilitation to rehabilitate, replace, and construct flood control facilities, in the City of Pasadena.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to reject the bids received for Eaton Wash – Channel Improvements and Eaton Wash Dam and Reservoir – Headworks Rehabilitation in the City of Pasadena.

On April 5, 2011, Agenda Item 29, your Board advertised and gave authority to the Chief Engineer or her designee to adopt, advertise, award, and execute a contract with the apparent responsible

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contractor with the lowest responsive bid. On May 17, 2011, bids were opened with MMC, Inc., submitting the lowest responsive bid. On July 5, 2011, Agenda Item 41, your Board acting as the Governing Body of the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (LACFCD) awarded a contract to MMC, Inc., to rehabilitate, replace, and construct flood control facilities for Eaton Wash – Channel Improvements and Eaton Wash Dam and Reservoir – Headworks Rehabilitation in the City of Pasadena.

Early delays made it very unlikely that work would be completed during the 2011 dry season. Therefore, the Department of Public Works (Public Works) decided to readvertise. On February 7, 2011, Agenda Item 29, your Board approved, adopted, and advertised the modified project.

Since the construction contract award on July 5, 2011, was never fully executed and no work was performed, County Counsel advised that rejecting all bids would be the best way to close out this project. Separately, on July 5, 2011, your Board action delegated authority to the LACFCD to compensate MMC, Inc., in the amount of \$15,000 for work performed under a consultant services agreement. This consultant services agreement was for the preparation of a schedule and storm water pollution prevention plan.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). The recommended action will allow Public Works to close out this project in an efficient manner.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Instruction to Bidders included in the bid documents provides for the rejection of all bids by your Board if such action is in the best interest of the County. We believe rejecting all bids is in the best interest of the County.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

On April 5, 2011, Agenda Item 29, your Board found this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

<u>IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)</u>

Terminating the project will not affect Public Works' ability to maintain and ensure adequate flood control and water conservation facilities for the community.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works, Construction Division.

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Respectfully submitted,

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